## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-10988-RWZ

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## **MEMORANDUM OF DECISION**

December 19, 2013

ZOBEL, D.J.

Defendant's motion for summary judgment (Docket # 34) is allowed as to count 1 of the Amended Complaint because the record is devoid of any evidence that defendant violated plaintiff's First Amendment rights by intending "to discourage [the plaintiff] from future speech."

The motion is denied as to count 2 because there are factual disputes concerning defendant's actions in the commencement and prosecution of the criminal case.

December 19, 2013	/s/Rya W. Zobel
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DATE	RYA W. ZOBEL
	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE